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Dear Colleagues -

I have been engaged in some communication with Brian in regards to the possibility of creating a research collaboration between CRIS and the GMA SEF.

You will see that he has integrated some projects reflecting the focus of CRIS on toxicological elements of ingredient safety.

I am mostly interested in hearing your perspective – as members of the CRIS EIC - on the benefits / risks associated with formally expanding CRIS's relationship with the GMA, as captured below (e.g., copied from the bottom of the 2<sup>nd</sup> page of Brian's document) . . .

## **Collaborative Research with CRIS**

- 1) Priority topics as established by CRIS
  - 1. Gut microbiome and ingredient safety (i.e emulsifiers)
  - 2. Impact of Maillard Reaction products on food safety
  - 3. Application of exposure science using dietary intake
  - 4. Toxicology of mycotoxins
- 2) Joint research grant application
- 3) Scientific collaboration between GMA SRA and CRIS scientists
- 4) Joint peer review process
- 5) Solicitation of research funding from industry
- 6) Identification of corporate participants/facilities in research projects
- 7) Collaboration with third party research entities (Reagan Udall Foundation, industry foundations, etc)
- 8) Outreach and extension of research results to the industry

... it would be helpful if you could provide some short comments about each of these bullet points in the context of benefits/risks. I promised Brian that I would have some additional feedback for him by the middle of next week.

Thanks, Mike

P.S. I was curious, so I did ask Brian about his reference to "the Science Institute" near the bottom of the opening paragraph in his document. Here is his response, "The SI is an endowment managed by SRAC for research and is also the source of some of the seed funding for CRIS. The SEF would also be expecting additional support from the SI as seed funds to leverage larger contributions for the proposed research agenda including those topics specified for CRIS collaboration."

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Mike

Please find attached the updated version of the research proposal which now includes some specific CRIS collaboration topics as per our conversation and which we extracted from the slide you highlighted. These are being reviewed by the SRA science team and we would appreciate your feedback on what we listed and that we have this right before we submit to SRAC. Please edit as you deem appropriate. As discussed, the CRIS collaborative issues listed would be the CRIS research agenda to deliver and our role would be to assist in raising funds for these topics along with other SRAC research priorities as part of our overall fundraising campaign.

Please confirm this is acceptable.

Thanks.

Brian

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